

January 23, 1956

Mr. John J. Ford, Jr.
176 Hendrickson Avenue
Rockville Center
Long Island, New York

Dear John

I am sending an interesting group of American medals and political cards to you. Please take a look and we can work these out any way you want.

I certainly wish I could get to New York but, for the present, nothing is out of line.

Hastily yours,

EFM/atb

New Netherlands Coin Co., Inc.

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NEW YORK 36, N. Y.

PHONES PLAZA 7-5245-6

January 30, 1956

Mr. Eric P. Newman
Edison Brothers Stores, Inc.
400 Washington Ave.
St. Louis 2, Mo.

Dear Eric:

Thanks for your letter of the 23rd instant to John.

That worthy gentleman has been working at home for the good Lord knows how long on the catalog, so has asked me to respond for him.

The shipment to which you refer has not arrived as yet although it may have been shipped to his home.

As for the paper money, it will have his attention when, as, and if he gets here.

With warm regards.

Sincerely,

NEW NETHERLANDS COIN CO., INC.

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Charles V. Wormser
President

CNV:dn

March 15, 1956

Mr. Charles Wormser
Mr. John Ford
New Netherlands Coin Co.
1 West 47th Street
New York 36, New York

Dear Charles and John:

The Missouri Historical Society here is giving a party and the thought occurred to us that we might use Confederate money to buy drinks at the bar. My thought is that we could sell a \$10 bill for 10¢ on the dollar, or \$1.00, and then have the price of the drinks \$10 in Confederate money. There will be about 400 people at the party and we will be able to get back the money as fast as they spend it on the bar and I would like to see if we can get some for the purpose.

In the tremendous load of paper money which you have, do you have any of the very common bills in such condition that they would not be of particular sale value which we could either buy or borrow for the purpose.

I think a lot of people will take them home as souvenirs and if they do you can have the money for the missing bills. That ought to be a good gamble, or if you felt that was too much you could split the money with the Historical Society.

I don't think it will be of particular importance whether they are bills of the Confederacy or ones of the State Banks of the South. I believe you have envelopes full of Bank of Augusta, Mechanics Bank of Georgia, etc. Any of those banks or Confederate notes would be ideal. The denomination should be \$5.00 and up.

I certainly wish I could get to New York but, unfortunately, have not had the opportunity.

Kindest personal regards.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

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March 20, 1956

Mr. Eric P. Newman
C/o Edison Bros. Stores, Inc.
400 Washington Ave.,
St. Louis 2, Mo.

Dear Eric:

Our April sale is currently being printed, and I have commenced work on a smaller June one. I wish I could figure out some way to cut down on what I put into these catalogs, but I seem obsessed with the idea of putting out reference works.

Since you returned the Paper Money lot I have not had a chance to work on it. However, nothing has been touched that is of importance to you, and when I get back to the office full time, I'll certainly get to it. Please be patient.

About your party idea. We had a large number of common, used CSA and related notes which we sold to a Plastics manufacturer at a very good price. At this writing, we have about 200 C.S.A. notes, \$5. to \$100., which would seem appropriate to your purpose. However, some of these are scarce types (9/2/61 notes), and the lot would average out to your \$1. per bill idea, should anybody retain any as souvenirs. Even the commonest, authentic CSA note retails at 60-75¢ over the counter today. As with Gold Dollars and other items, the junk is just about up to the bottom of the good stuff because of all the newcomers.

Tell me how many bills you need. We will lend them to you, hoping that no one wipes up the wet bar with them. I would not have the heart to stick the Society at retail, on the other hand, if we did sell the lot, we would have nothing for kids, etc., over the counter. Used notes are better for this purpose than new '64 ones, because the new ones do not look real.

If you need more than 200, we'll have to get them for you.

With kindest personal regards, in which C.M.W. and Walter join,

Sincerely,

NEW NETHERLANDS COIN CO., INC.

JJF:dn

John J. Ford, Jr.
Creators of Distinguished Numismatic Auction Sale Catalogues

June 5, 1956

Mr. Charles Wormser
Mr. John Ford, Jr.
New Netherlands Coin Company
1 West 47th Street
New York 36, New York

Dear Charles and John:

Believe it or not, I have not been to New York since I last saw you, which seems so long ago that my memory has almost lost it. I merely want to report that I am not blotto and I certainly owe you an explanation.

As to the party for which I wanted Confederate money, I want you to know that the idiots here felt that because of race relationships nothing concerning the Confederacy should be mentioned. As a result one of our banks printed up the banknotes from their predecessor and we used \$500 bills to buy one drink at the tremendously successful Historical Society party. I am enclosing a few of these \$500 bills to show you how good our counterfeiting was.

My numismatic time has been spent in finishing three articles. A.M.S. has approved, for immediate publication, my article on Coinage for Colonial Virginia. The Numismatist is going to publish my article on Counterfeit Continental Currency and the proof of its British sponsorship, the title being "Counterfeit Continental Currency Goes to War." This will have a check list of all counterfeit varieties I know of. The third article I wrote is for the Franklin edition of the Numismatist involving Benjamin Franklin's interest in copper coinage.

I am going to Zanzibar this summer and I may bring back a shrunken head - which may be my own. My wife and I are going to look over the animals in East Africa and a few other ridiculous things. There is no change of planes between St. Louis and Cairo so I won't be able to stop to see you in New York. We are leaving at the end of this month.

I have so many things to straighten out with you that I am going to do everything possible to do so at the earliest possible time and merely wanted you to know that I have not forgotten you.

Best regards from the Numismatic lone wolf out on the range.

Sincerely,

BN/atb

June 7, 1956

Mr. John Ford, Jr.
New Netherlands Coin Co.
1 West 47th Street
New York 36, New York

Dear John:

I notice in the question form in your most recent Numisma that there is considerable information on the 1804 half dollar. I guess this is the one in my collection. It apparently went from Wehl to Breen and then to me. Nothing would be nicer to have it turn out to be real or at least a fake of equal quality to the 1804 dollars. It is all a question of the degree of fakeness. Of course, mine may not be the only one which will turn up in answer to your inquiry but I suspect that it will. If your inquirer wants to do some research on it he is more than welcome.

Best regards.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/atb

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June 8, 1956

Mr. Eric P. Newman
6450 Cecil Ave.
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Eric:

We were awfully happy to receive your letters of June 5th and 7th. Having been very busy ourselves, I was afraid that you might have been angry with the undersigned for not getting to the paper money which you sent to us. Needless to say, the notes are still packed up as returned by you. We will get to them and arrange an equitable exchange I am sure.

Incidentally, what ever happened to those half dollars we were interested in? Also, what do you want me to do with the tokens and stuff from the Johnson Estate? Finally, do you want us to put the remaining coins from the consignment of quarters into a "Numisma" sale?

I got a big kick out of the Southern Bank of St. Louis facsimiles. Glad to hear that the party was a success.

How about being generous and doing me a favor? I would like very much to steal the meat out of your article on counterfeit Continental currency for a similar article written entirely for the public to appear in a popular historical magazine. I already have some material, including pictures and general background data. I probably will also need items from you for photography. Walter is preparing a similar article for the same magazine re counterfeiting of CSA currency, particularly by Upham of Philadelphia. My intention is to give the public some authentic numismatic history, popularized of course, in an attempt to create a few bonafide collectors.

Speaking of history, does the University or EPN have one of those 1792-95 engraved Washington Indian Peace medals which they would accept a very healthy price for?

Some day I hope to con you away from your 1804 half dollar, providing of course, it is an authentication. Bring it with you next time you see us and we will check it out for you. I get a big kick out of fake coins and have a nice collection of them. Along that line, do you have the struck copy of the 1796 half cent by Dr. Edwards, or the really rare Edwards copy of the Immune Columbia?

I hope the "numismatic lone wolf" and his Frau enjoy East Africa and Zanzibar. Give our regards to the Mau Mau.

Sincerely,

Creators of Distinguished Numismatic Auction Sale Catalogues

JJF:dn

John J. Ford, Jr.

June 19, 1956

Mr. John Ford, Jr.
New Netherlands Coin Co.
1 West 47th Street
New York 36, New York

Dear John:

Your letter of June 8th is acknowledged. I am surprised that you thought I was angry at you for not getting to the paper money. When I have good cause to be angry I will certainly see that you know it. Not having good cause I will continue being affable.

With respect to the tokens, etc. which I shipped to you, please hold those until we can get together. As to the half dollars, I still have them in my desk drawer waiting for our get-together. With respect to the few quarters belonging to Washington University which still remain in your hands, you certainly may put those into a Numisma sale.

With respect to your stealing my article on counterfeit Continental Currency, I can assure you that it would be a pleasure. I just don't want your article to come out before mine as I am entitled, I think, to first publication. When you requested to steal the meat out of my article I wrote the Numismatist and asked them when they were going to publish this and they indicated that it might be in the September issue and then again it might be the first of the year. Frankly, I will be delighted to send you the article, the pictures, and everything as soon as the Numismatist reads it for publication. You can't be in that much of a panic to publish something on it. I did not know that you had assembled any information on the subject but I put enough time in to find out that nobody really knew much about the subject. I also think that your conscience would hurt you if you got an item published like this before I did. You would have trouble facing me even though I would laugh about it. If you are going to be immoral, please save it for something more exciting. Plagiarism is an art and should be handled with finesse.

My kindest regards.

Sincerely,

EPW/atb

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June 27, 1956

AIRMAIL

Mr. Eric P. Newman
Edison Brothers Stores, Inc.
400 Washington Ave.
St. Louis 2, Mo.

Dear Eric:

Just a note to reply to your letter of June 19th.

1. We will get to the paper money eventually. No problem there.
2. We will put the Washington University Quarters in a "Numisma" auction sale.
3. I will do nothing on the Colonial paper money article for "American Heritage Magazine" until you send me your junk, and until your article is published, then with full credit to you I will proceed.
4. The 26 million other things I want to talk to you about will have to wait until you come back from Mau-Mau way.

Please have a nice trip and be very considerate of the "Dark Continents" wild life.

Very best personal regards and good luck.

Sincerely,

NEW NETHERLANDS COIN CO., INC.


John J. Ford, Jr.

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DATE July 1, 1956

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Mr. Eric P. Newman

6450 Cecil Ave.

St. Louis 5, Mo.

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August 17, 1956

Mr. Charles Wormser
New Netherlands Coin Company
1 West 47th Street
New York 36, New York

Dear Charles:

I enjoyed, very much, talking to you the other day and merely wish to wish you a very pleasant trip to Europe.

In view of the fact that you are going to see Leonard Forner, I would appreciate it if you would ask him whether he has any intention of making further payments on the account due the Johnson Estate. He has not answered two letters which I have written him requesting that he do so.

You may be able to work out some arrangement whereby he would commence personal payments in view of the fact that you indicated there would be no more commissions coming to him in connection with the Brand matter and which commission you have been kind enough, in the past, to turn over for his account. I also feel that if you are able to work out some kind of payments you should be compensated for so doing on some fair contingent basis.

My very kindest regards.

Sincerely,

ERIC F. NEWMAN

EPN/atb

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August 20, 1956

Mr. Eric P. Newman
6450 Cecil Ave.
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Eric:

Many thanks for your letter of the 17th instant; it was indeed a pleasure for me too to see you in New York.

I will be more than delighted to take up the matter under discussion and just as soon as I have returned from Europe, will be in touch with you.

With warm personal regards.

Very sincerely,

NEW NETHERLANDS COIN CO., INC.



Charles M. Wormser
President

CMW:dn

STATEMENT

NEW NETHERLANDS COIN CO. INC.

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To

Mr. Eric P. Newman

6450 Cecil Ave.

St. Louis 5, Mo.

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October 2, 1956

Mr. Eric P. Newman, Secretary
Edison Brothers Stores Inc.
400 Washington Ave.
St. Louis 2, Mo.

Dear Eric:

Please forgive the extreme delay in answering your letter of September 11th.

When your letter concerning the coins belonging to Washington University arrived, I gave same to Walter Breen who was then working on these items for inclusion in a forthcoming "Numisma" mail auction sale. Walter ascertained that all the coins on the list you sent us were here and would be in the auction. He then proceeded to lose the letter with the afore-mentioned notation.

The letter was returned to me this morning. I was going to write to you anyhow, Eric, and tell you that everything was all right. This "Numisma" sale should be in a month or two, as we are trying very hard to catch up.

Do I understand clearly, that this material is to be sold for whatever it may bring, which probably (in my opinion) will not meet the full \$852.25 valuation set upon the merchandise initially. Almost all the coins that remain are badly overgraded condition-wise.

There are many things I would like to go over with you, but time seems to be against us. I will get our big paper money deal straightened out just as soon as I return from two weeks' active duty with the Army late in October. You have been very patient about this, which we certainly appreciate. Nothing has been touched, since you returned the material in two separate packages. When are you coming to New York again?

Very best personal regards in which a terribly, terribly busy C.W. concurs.

Yours sincerely,

JJF:fw

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THESE GOODS ARE SENT ON CONSIGNMENT AND APPROVAL FOR 10 DAYS FROM TIME OF ARRIVAL. TITLE TO THE ABOVE MERCHANDISE DOES NOT PASS UNTIL CASH IS PAID FOR SAME.

November 21, 1956

Mr. Charles Wormser
Mr. John Ford
New Netherlands Coin Co.
1 West 47th Street
New York 36, New York

Dear Charles and John

I have been unable to get to New York and I want so much to turn over a lot of coins to you to be sold for the benefit of charity. I also want to straighten out the few open matters between us. Apparently you keep getting busier also. Fred writes me that you are handling the Raymond estate and I certainly know that this is quite a feather in your cap. He has some very lovely things which I had the opportunity to have him show me and the enthusiasm with which he showed them to me I will never forget. I also hope that you will be able to continue his catalog and will straighten out more of the items which you have been doing over the past years.

A few bids on the coming sale are enclosed.

I am enclosing for Walter's benefit the pictures from the coming A.M.S. article on Virginia coinage and feel that these will be convenient for him to have separate from the book. I am also enclosing a separate note to Walter.

Good luck in all your new endeavors and congratulations on the wonderful catalog which you just put out.

Sincerely,

EFW/atb

Title to the above merchandise does not pass until cash is paid for same.

December 5, 1956

Mr. John Ford
New Netherlands Coin Company
1 West 47th Street
New York 36, New York

Dear John:

Thank you for your letter of November 27, 1956.

I received a most appreciative answer from Olga Raymond with respect to the letter which I just wrote her. She is certainly very much upset and it is very hard for her to make decisions in the emotional state resulting from Wayne's death. From her letter it seems as though she has made a deal for five editions of the Standard Catalogue on the basis of 50% of the profits to her and 50% to Faxon but it is not formalized. An ad, however, has been sent in to the Numismatist. She says that Walter was asked to bring the work up to date, in the evenings, and was being paid directly by her. What I don't understand is whether Walter is operating independently or has a duty of loyalty to you. His willingness to work for Mrs. Raymond makes it possible for her to keep the catalogue going. Whether this is enough to keep its goodwill is questionable and, apparently, Mrs. Raymond's lawyers feel that she should dispose of it altogether.

I, frankly, don't feel that the arrangement is a very sound one. As far as the Coins of the World are concerned she tells me that you and Christenson are both interested but, apparently, no decision has been made on that.

I can certainly understand your unwillingness to work on the Standard Catalogue on an interim basis and I certainly can understand her position in wanting to retain ownership of the catalogue. Whatever moral commitments she has made or whatever legal commitments she has made, it is still perfectly possible for you to buy out her position because I believe that unless there is mutual cooperation among dealers in working items into the catalogue which they feel are justified, the catalogue will lose its goodwill. If five editions are published without any professional numismatic assistance I imagine that the catalogue will not be worth while to keep alive. Mrs. Raymond feels that you had a change of heart when you heard how many orders Mr. Faxon had. Apparently she is hurt because you turned Wayne down on the specialized edition and turned Faxon down on the interim edition after Wayne died.

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Mr. John Ford

December 5, 1956

I certainly don't know all the facts but merely would like to see this matter worked out properly as I realize you want this catalogue on a permanent basis if you are going to devote your efforts to it. You have done a great deal for the catalogue already.

Let me know the full facts as to this situation and I will be glad to respond to Mrs. Raymond and see what can still be done to work this matter out for the welfare of everyone and for numismatics.

In the recent auction two lots were acquired by me and one was for a friend of mine, here in St. Louis, Mr. Franz, whose check in the amount of \$190.51 is enclosed. The other item we will work out on the exchange of coins soon.

Please be sure to show this letter to Charles also and tell me a little about Faxon as I don't know what his background is.

Sincerely,

ERIC S. NEWMAN

ENW/atb

EDISON BROTHERS STORES, Inc

December 10, 1956

Mrs. Olga Raymond
20 Sutton Place, South
New York City, New York.

Dear Mrs. Raymond:

Since receiving your letter and also a letter from John I have been thinking about the problem concerning Wayte's catalogues. I see that there has been a great deal more thinking and talk on the matter than I first realized. If there were an easy solution you would have found it.

The idea of an interim catalogue leading toward a specialized catalogue was, apparently, approved by Wayte in principle. I agree that an interim edition of the standard catalogue is essential to keep alive the goodwill of the book particularly to have a publication prepared after Wayte's death. Price revisions are not enough. Something new must be added to the interim catalogue so that you can feature something in the advertising. It could give the true story of why the 1913 Liberty head nickel and other items have never been listed in the standard catalogue. It could have a section on freaks and misstrikes; a section on overdates. It could designate the legal weight and specific gravity of U. S. coins. It could add major varieties of early \$5 and \$10 gold or anything new which could be publicized. The interim edition should also have an introduction containing the story of Wayte's contributions to the numismatic publishing field. If you have anywhere near 2,000 copies sold, then there could be no particular financial risk in getting this edition out. I certainly can understand your lawyer's position in wanting you to sell out completely rather than finance further publications but if it keeps you active and you are interested in the work then that is another consideration. Since you must let others join you in future publications, your opportunity for profit must be cut down to give others an incentive. To go on taking risks with a reduced share of the profits would not be sound. Others should take the risk and share with you the goodwill value which now exists.

You will never be able to compete with the Whitman catalogue because of price. Whitman had the advantage of being able to copy many features of Wayte's book and is in the printing business fundamentally. The specialized U. S. catalogue is the only

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EDISON BROTHERS STORES, Inc

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Mrs. Olga Raymond

December 10, 1956

answer, as I see it. John's letter indicates that he wishes to make it into two books. I feel that it could be broken into many parts so that different specialists could buy the parts they are interested in, particularly as the parts are written. I do not believe the specialized catalogue can be prepared rapidly while the whole catalogue can be published in one or two volumes. When it is finished it certainly should be obtainable in cheaper parts. However, the important thing about the specialized catalogue in my opinion is that it cannot be revised sufficiently to reissue on an annual basis. John wanted to make it annual but I do not believe that hope is realistic.

John tells me that Walter does not want to give up the idea of being editor of the catalogue just once and that you do not want to hurt Walter's feelings if it can be avoided. This is a difficult matter. As you know, personal pride and desire for recognition makes people willing to do endless tasks and thankless jobs. Saving the entire catalogue, including the proposed specialized edition, from collapse should be the entire basis of your decisions and in my opinion you should focus on what is best to keep the catalogue alive. There is no doubt that Walter's ability and accomplishments are amazing but I believe that his name on a catalogue, if advertised or emphasized, might scare dealers and collectors. His thinking is just too complicated for most people. The catalogue should be revised by Walter, John and perhaps others, and the names of those who revised it should be modestly printed in the catalogue and not so as to emphasize editorship. The catalogue will not be changed that much from Wayte's editorship. Wayte and John and Walter have gone so far already in the plans for the standard and specialized catalogues that you ought to encourage John and Walter to pump blood back into the catalogue together. They can easily work together but I do not believe that desire for editorship for either or both of them should confuse the thinking on what is best for the survival of the standard catalogue. They worked hard enough with Wayte in the past to make this catalogue what it is.

You indicated that John had withdrawn his interest from the interim catalogue at one time. John writes me that Faxon's interpretation of John's attitude was not the impression John intended to create. I believe John is sincerely enthusiastic about creating an outstanding catalogue and is the only man in the country who would be able and willing to do it. He will need Walter's full cooperation.

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Mrs. Olga Raymond

December 10, 1956

I therefore think you should make an arrangement now which is permanent for the future so as not to lose the incentive of either John or Walter to stimulate interest in the book. This is not going to be a big money maker but it can be a modest money maker, as I see it. It certainly can be a big loser without all of you getting together quickly.

As far as the Coins of the World is concerned that has no real competition. Revision at reasonable intervals is always welcome to the public. It is used in America as well as elsewhere throughout the world. I think as your lawyer thinks... that this should be sold for cash at this time with some reserve participation in the profits. If you cannot get a substantial sum in cash for it then you can make any deal you can. You have the records on its success and without those facts I have no way of giving you any further opinion.

It is very difficult for me to be of help to you from this distance but I certainly am glad of the opportunity to do so.

My very kindest personal regards.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC F. NEWMAN

EFN/atb

CC: Mr. John Ford

EDISON BROTHERS STORES, Inc

December 18, 1956

Mrs. Olga Raymond
20 Sutton Place, South
New York City, New York

Dear Mrs. Raymond:

Your letter of December 12, 1956, is at hand. Naturally, I was not familiar with the negotiations which previously took place between Wayte and John but they do not surprise me in the nature of their content.

I certainly feel that you should not be pessimistic about the specialized catalogue. Your husband was correct that there were not more than 100 real numismatists in the country but out of the horde of speculators and others who have become interested in coin collecting there will be more and more sincere numismatists. A hobby as fascinating as coin collecting cannot help but grow on those who begin even as speculators. There are thousands and thousands of Boy Scouts who have become interested in coin collecting through the Merit Badge System. There is a greater interest in coin collecting today than ever before.

As I indicated to you, I think an over-all agreement must be made now between you and those who will be the successors to the catalogue. I can certainly see how John and Walter would wish to make this matter clear now rather than to wait for the interim edition. You indicate that after the interim edition you can try to reach another understanding as to the specialized edition. John and Walter make a living from the coin business. For them to cooperate at this time with the hope that the rights to the specialized edition will come to them is not enough. They should have specific assurance for the future. If you need capital for this particular interim edition, why don't you try to have them take over this investment as part of the over-all deal.

You indicate that you might be powerless if John and Walter do not cooperate with you. The only situation in which you are powerless is if you cannot secure a value out of the standard catalogue. This value is tenuous and the opportunity for salvaging any value from it is contingent on many circumstances.

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Mrs. Olga Raymond

December 18, 1956

You must take some chances in trying to make the future of the book financially successful. To risk your capital for the present or into the future is a chance which you do not have to take and if you do not have outside moneys to handle this, the wisdom of taking that chance is questionable. This, no doubt, is how your attorney seems to feel.

You stated that there was considerable boxed silver in storage and that you might consider soliciting bids for it. If you care to send me a list I will make a copy of it and return it to you. I presume an inventory of the numismatic items in the estate has been made and if you care to send me this or any part of it I may have some suggestions. It would depend on the tax position of the estate as to how carefully you should act so as to support the appraisal. The silver coins might be a good item to sell and I would know more about that on seeing the list.

I do not have a complete file of Wayne Raymond's Coin Collectors Journal and I am wondering if you have any duplicates of the journal from the beginning up to about 1947. I do not know what happened to my copies prior to 1947 but I only have scattered numbers.

My very best to you for the holidays.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC F. NEWMAN

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